

## **Missouri Department of Natural Resources**

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## Public Service Announcement Disaster Debris – Wood and Vegetation

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Recent severe weather has caused destruction in many communities across Missouri.

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources has some tips on how to deal with disaster debris.

In urban areas, open burning of wood may be permitted, although extreme caution is urged, due to possible gas leaks and other storm-related problems. Contact your local fire authorities prior to any burning. Burning will be allowed only with the approval of the local fire officials or emergency coordinator.

In rural areas, material may be open burned, but to minimize impact on neighbors, start fires after 10 a.m. and discontinue burning by 4 p.m. Burning will be allowed only with the approval of the local fire officials or emergency coordinator.

For more information contact the Missouri Department of Natural Resources toll free at 1-800-361-4827 or visit www.dnr.mo.gov/disaster.htm.